

date the State railroads. Referred to the Joint Select Committee on State Railroads.

Mr. Smith, of Hyde, was announced as detained at his room by sickness.

By consent, Mr. Norment introduced a resolution in regard to banks, &c., and the rules being suspended, the resolution was put on its passage and adopted.

The rules were suspended, and S. B. No. 420, H. B. No. 444: A bill to revive and continue in force an act appointing trustees for Haywood Academy, in the county of Chatham, was taken up and put on its several readings and passed, and was ordered to be enrolled for ratification.

On motion of Mr. Gudger, the calendar was placed at the disposal of the Speaker, subject to the action of the House on the Special Orders.

The first Special Order, being S. B. No. 450, H. B. No. 445: A bill to restrict the fishing with pod nets in the Albemarle sound and the waters emptying therein was taken up.

Mr. Walker, of Tyrrell, submitted a substitute for the bill.

The substitute was accepted, and the bill, so substituted, passed its several readings, and was ordered to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

CALENDAR.

The calendar was taken up, and

H. B. No. 351: A bill to amend chapter 146, laws of 1872-'73, was put on its several readings, and passed, and was ordered to be engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

H. B. No. 245: A bill to amend chapter 111, section 32, of Battle's Revisal, was taken up, and, on motion, was made the special order for February 10th, at 12 o'clock, together with the substitute recommended by the committee.

H. R. No. 145: Resolution of inquiry into the affairs of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Company, was taken up.